

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A system for managing information disclosure statement (IDS) references, comprising:
 - a computing system;
 - a first software component operable on the computing system to generate a plurality of IDS forms; [[and]]
 - a second software component operable on the computing system to manage IDS references for at least one organization; and
 - a task managing software component operable on the computing system to manage tasks within matters; and
 - a database comprising IDS references,
 - wherein each organization only has access to its own IDS references.
2. (Original) The system as recited in claim 1, further comprising:
 - a third software component operable on the computing system to provide a presentation for managing the IDS references associated with each matter of the at least one organization.
3. (Original) The system as recited in claim 2, further comprising:
 - a fourth software component operable on the computing system to manage matters for the at least one organization;
 - wherein the second software component is a part of the fourth software component.
4. (Currently Amended) The system as recited in claim 3, further comprising:
 - a fifth software component operable on the computing system to manage activities within matters;
 - a sixth software component operable on the computing system to manage organizations;
 - ~~a seventh software component operable on the computing system to manage tasks within~~ matters;

an eighth software component operable on the computing system to provide communications; and

a ninth software component operable on the computing system to provide security;

wherein the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth software components are capable of interfacing with the first and second software components in a patent prosecution enterprise application.

5. (Currently Amended) The system as recited in claim 1, wherein a first matter is related to a second matter within the organization by a criteria, the IDS references comprise:

- an IDS holder;
- ~~an IDS patents holder related to the IDS holder;~~
- ~~an IDS publications holder related to an IDS table; and~~
- ~~an IDS source holder to indicate how to access the stream of data associated with each IDS reference.~~

6. (Currently Amended) The system as recited in claim 5, wherein the related matters are stored in a storage only accessible to the organization who owns the matters, further comprising:

- ~~a matter holder related to the IDS holder; and~~
- ~~an organization holder related to both the IDS holder and the IDS source holder.~~

7. (Currently Amended) The system as recited in claim 6, wherein all the matters within the organization are classified, further comprising:

- ~~a database management system to manage the holders.~~

8. (Currently Amended) The system as recited in claim 7, wherein all the matters within the organization are classified by status of a patent application, which is pending, issued, withdrawn, or abandoned, the holders are tables and the data management system is a relational database management system.

9. (Currently Amended) The system as recited in claim 7 [[8]], wherein all the matters within the organization are classified by type of a patent application, the holders are classes and the data management system is an object-oriented database management system.
10. (Currently Amended) A method for IDS reporting, comprising:
- receiving a report specification;
 - interpreting the report specification;
 - generating an answer file;
 - receiving a plurality of transformations to act on the answer file and an IDS form definition file; and
 - providing an IDS report, wherein the IDS report lists IDS references, and the IDS references are only accessible to an organization who has ownership thereof.
11. (Canceled)
12. (Original) The method as recited in claim 10, further comprising:
- receiving a question file;
 - wherein interpreting the report specification includes reading the question file.
13. (Currently Amended) A method for managing information disclosure statement (IDS) references, comprising:
- receiving a request to add a new information disclosure statement (IDS) reference to a first matter owned by an organization;
 - searching within the organization for all matters related to the first matter; and
 - adding the new IDS reference to selected matters related to the first matter, wherein the method manages the first matter and tasks within the first matter, and the new IDS reference is only accessible to the organization who owns the first matter and the selected matters.

14. (Original) The method as recited in claim 13, further comprising:
selecting only those matters related to the first matter with a matter type that supports
IDS reference management and only those matters having an appropriate stage.
15. (Original) The method as recited in claim 13, further comprising:
presenting a list of IDS references for a second matter, wherein the second matter is
related to the first matter; and
indicating the new IDS reference in the list originated in the first matter.
16. (Original) The method as recited in claim 15, further comprising:
indicating the new IDS reference is unmarked and unreviewed.
17. (Currently Amended) A system for managing information disclosure statement (IDS)
references, comprising:
a computing system;
a presentation layer operable on the computing system to present an information
disclosure statement (IDS) reference inventory system;
a business logic layer operable on the computing system to manage the IDS reference
inventory system and to generate IDS forms; and
a data layer operable on the computing system to manage the data associated with the
IDS reference inventory system, wherein each organization only has access to its own IDS
references.
18. (Original) The system as recited in claim 17,
wherein the computing system comprises:
a web server;
at least one browser in communication with the web server; and
a file system accessible to the web server;
wherein the presentation layer, the business logic layer, and the data layer operate on the
web server.

19. (Original) The system as recited in claim 17,
wherein the computing system comprises:
a web server;
at least one browser in communication with the web server; and
a database management system accessible to the web server;
wherein the presentation layer and the business logic layer operate on the web server and
the data layer operates on the database management system.
20. (Original) The system as recited in claim 17,
wherein the computing system comprises:
a web server;
at least one browser in communication with the web server;
an application server in communication with the web server; and
a database management system in communication with the application server;
wherein the presentation layer operates on the web server, the business logic layer
operates on the application server, and the data layer operates on the database management
system.
21. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium storing computer-executable
instructions for performing a method, the method comprising:
providing a presentation capable of associating at least one information disclosure
statements (IDS) reference to at least one matter;
providing a presentation capable of listing each IDS reference associated with each
matter; and
restricting access to IDS references so that each organization only has access to its own
IDS references.
22. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21, further comprising:
providing a presentation capable of generating an IDS form for at least one matter.

23. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21, further comprising:
providing a presentation capable of modifying at least one IDS reference associated with
at least one matter.
24. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21, further comprising:
providing a presentation capable of deleting at least one IDS reference associated with at
least one matter.
25. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21, further comprising:
providing a presentation capable of searching all IDS references associated with one
matter.
26. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21, further comprising:
providing a presentation capable of searching all IDS references owned by one
organization.
27. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21, further comprising:
providing a presentation capable of marking at least one IDS reference associated with at
least one matter.
28. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21, further comprising:
providing a presentation capable of updating a review status of at least one IDS reference
associated with at least one matter; and
providing a presentation capable of showing the review status of each IDS reference
associated with at least one matter.
29. (Canceled)
30. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21, further comprising:

providing an accounting system to track costs associated with storing IDS references.

31. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21, wherein presentation capabilities for each individual are determined based on their role in a matter and an organization associated with each individual.
32. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21, further comprising:
providing a presentation capable of uploading a stream of data associated with the at least one IDS reference.
33. (Original) The method as recited in claim 32, further comprising:
providing a presentation capable of downloading the stream of data associated with the IDS reference.
34. (Original) The method as recited in claim 32, further comprising:
providing links for various applications capable of opening and displaying the stream of data.
35. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21, further comprising:
providing a presentation capable of uploading a plurality of streams of data associated with IDS references, the IDS references being associated with a plurality of matters.
36. (Canceled)